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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Reconcaic Research Area, ORR

BURJECT : Request for ERA Contribution to China Map Folio

- 1. OBI is currently engaged in the preparation of a China Map Folio that will include some 19 regional and special subject maps (see attached list). The objective is to provide a conveniently-bound set of uniformly designed maps that will present evaluated information for ready reference use by the growing number of individuals interested in China. We propose to issue the Folio as an Unclassified publication in order to permit maximum appropriate dissemination and use within both governmental and non-governmental centers of China research.
- 2. To enhance the value of the Folio, a concise textual summary concerning the subject of each of the topical maps is to be included. Since several of the topical maps will treat aspects of the economy of Communist China, we feel that ERA inputs are desirable in order to assure the volume's quality. Accordingly, it is requested that ERA contribute summaries for maps on the following topics:

Reilroads

Mining

Roads

Electric Power and Fuels

Industry

Agriculture

3. The textual summaries should be unclassified, about 1,000 words each. It is suggested that they include interpretative remarks concerning the overall significance of the topical element to China's economy, regional patterns and their relationships to overall economic development, comparisons of pre-Communist conditions with the present, relative importance of major individual installations and/or commodities, and principal unclassified sources of information. Simple statistical tables to illustrate regional, sectoral, or chronological comparisons may be used.

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4. Proof copies of the individual topical maps will be available for analyst use in accordance with target dates on the attached schedule. In some cases the ERA analyst may have participated with Cartography Division in the map compilation process and may be sufficiently familiar with the substantive content of the map that he need not avait availability of the formal proof copy before proceeding with preparation of his text.

25X1A5. Questions concerning the maps themselves should be directed to Cartography Division, x-7110. Questions concerning the textual commentaries may be directed to Cartography Division, x-3057, 25X1A and the finished contributions should be sent to in accordance with the attached schedule.

25X1A Chief, Geography Division, OBI

Attachment:

Production schedule

Distribution:

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1 - D/BI

1 - GD/F

1 - Chief, CD

2 - GD